

House File 596 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 207)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the grounds for refusing to renew a vehicle
- 2 registration.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.40, Code 2015, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. *a.* The county treasurer shall
4 refuse to renew the registration of a vehicle registered
5 to an applicant if the applicant has delinquent taxes owed
6 under chapter 435. However, a county treasurer may renew the
7 registration if the treasurer determines that an error was made
8 in identifying the mobile home or manufactured home for which
9 taxes are delinquent under chapter 435 or if the applicant was
10 not the owner of the mobile home or manufactured home at the
11 time the taxes became delinquent. In addition, the county
12 treasurer may renew the registration for a period of time
13 determined by the county treasurer of the county in which the
14 delinquent taxes are owed that is less than the duration of the
15 renewal period otherwise authorized by law if the applicant
16 enters into an agreement with the county treasurer of the
17 county in which the delinquent taxes are owed for the payment
18 of such delinquent taxes according to a payment schedule.
19 *b.* This subsection does not apply to the transfer of a
20 registration or the issuance of a new registration.
21 *c.* Notwithstanding section 28E.10, a county treasurer may
22 utilize the department's vehicle registration and titling
23 system to facilitate the purposes of this subsection.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 Code section 321.40 establishes the requirements for vehicle
28 registration renewals. This bill requires the county treasurer
29 to refuse to renew the registration of a vehicle registered to
30 an applicant if the applicant has delinquent taxes owed under
31 Code chapter 435 (mobile homes and manufactured homes). The
32 bill does, however, authorize a county treasurer to renew the
33 registration if the treasurer determines that an error was
34 made in identifying the mobile home or manufactured home for
35 which taxes are delinquent or if the applicant was not the

1 owner of the mobile home or manufactured home at the time the
2 taxes became delinquent. Additionally under the bill, the
3 county treasurer may renew the registration for a period of
4 time determined by the county treasurer of the county in which
5 the delinquent taxes are owed that is less than the duration of
6 the renewal period otherwise authorized by law if the applicant
7 enters into an agreement with the county treasurer of the
8 county in which the delinquent taxes are owed for the payment
9 of such delinquent taxes according to a payment schedule.

10 The bill does not apply to the transfer of a registration
11 or the issuance of a new registration. The bill authorizes a
12 county treasurer to utilize the department of transportation's
13 vehicle registration and titling system to facilitate the
14 purposes of the bill.